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Alessio Rovera joins Tsunami RT for 2017

The Italian driver joins forces with the Ukrainian team for the upcoming racing season of the Porsche Carrera Cup Italia.

Alessio finished the 2016 Carrera Cup Italia season in 3rd place thanks to a single win and 11 podium finishes in 21 races. The 22-year old Italian will race with Tsunami RT - Centro Porsche Padova this year and is a serious candidate for the title since he has already proved his speed and maturity in driving the 991.

Rovera's main competitors in 2016 were Tsunami driver and PCCI champion Côme Ledogar and Italian talent Matteo Drudi - who both will not participate in the Italian series in 2017.

"I have decided to race with Tsunami because I think it is a team of people like me, people who want to achieve great results, who will give their best throughout the season", said Rovera, after he signed a yearly contract with the San Marino based team this week. What was the first feeling of the Italian driver in his new team?

"I think this is a team that makes a driver feel home and in a situation to express himself in the best possible way", adds Rovera.

The driver's ambitions are pretty high for 2017: *"for sure my target for this season is the same as last year - to win the championship. But this time I have one more season in my experience bag and many useful datas, so I start from a higher step".*

Before the first racing weekend of the 2017 season at Imola in the end of April, Tsunami will attend four test sessions with Rovera, two at Misano (one is the official PCCI shakedown on April 4th), one at Imola and one at Spa Francorchamps. *"These testing days will be very important to get confidence with the new, ABS - equipped car, after a long winter break",* says the talented Tsunami driver.



Driver ID: Alessio Rovera

Italian, born in June 22nd, 1995, speaks Italian, English and Spanish.

Racing career highlights: 2008-2012: karting in Italian and International championships; **2013:** Italian Formula Abarth Champion with 6 wins, 9 pole, 12 podiums & 7 fastest race laps, Winner of “Supercorso Federale ACI CSAI”; **2014:** Formula Renault Alps 2.0, 6th overall with one round missed, 3 podiums, 1st among Italian drivers; **2015:** Euroformula Open, 6th overall with two rounds missed, 1st Rookie and Italian driver, 2 wins, 7 podiums, 1 fastest race lap, “Driver of the Year 2015” by Italiaracing; **2016:** Porsche Carrera Cup Italia, 3rd overall, 1 win, 1 pole, 11 podium finishes.



Class	Grade	Round
1 - 17 April	1000cc	1000cc
20 - 17 April	1000cc	1000cc
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